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The Honorable Mike Huckabee Governor of Arkansas Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Governor Huckabee:

Thank you for your letter of February 15, 2004, forwarding the State of Arkansas' recommendations on air quality designations for the particulate matter 2.5 (PM 2.5) National Ambient Air Quality Standard.

Based on 2000-2002 ambient PM 2.5 data, you recommend attainment/unclassifiable for the entire State of Arkansas. We will carefully review Arkansas' recommendations and work with the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, if questions arise, as we work to make our final designations.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (214) 665-2100, or have your staff call Mr. Thomas Diggs of my staff at (214) 665-7214.

Sincerely yours,

Richard E. Greene

Regional Administrator

cc: Mr. Marcus Devine, Director, ADEQ

Mr. Tony Davis, Interim Air Division Chief, ADEQ